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Proteins Involved In Homeostasis And Adaptation*

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2002 (Paper No.13).
A separate petition for the appropriate extension of time in which to respond is being filed concurrently herewith. Responsive to the Office Action, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-38, without prejudice, and add new claims 39-55 as follows: